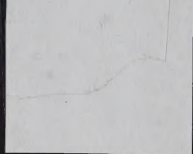


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## Abstract

When hunting or transporting migratory game birds, a person required to hold a Canada migratory game bird hunting permit must have that permit on his person in addition to any required territorial hunting licence. The permit is available at post offices for \$3.50.

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# **Regulations for hunters of migratory game birds**

## **Equipment**

- No person shall hunt using a shotgun of any kind capable of holding more than three shells in the magazine and chamber combined ; a rifle or shotgun loaded with a single bullet ; or any weapon other than a long bow and arrow or a shotgun not larger than number 10 gauge.
- No person shall have with him, for his own use, more than one shotgun, unless each shotgun in excess of one is unloaded and disassembled or unloaded and cased.
- No person shall shoot from any aircraft, sailboat, power boat, or motorized vehicle, or any vehicle to which a draught animal is attached.
- No person shall use a boat, aircraft, or motor vehicle to disturb birds with the object of driving them towards a hunter.
- No person shall use live birds as decoys, or recorded bird calls.

## **Time**

- No person shall hunt at any time throughout the year except during the open season as described in the schedule.
- No person shall hunt during any day after he has taken his bag limit.
- No person shall hunt earlier than one-half hour before sunrise or later than one-half hour after sunset except north of the sixtieth parallel where no person shall hunt earlier than one hour before sunrise or later than one hour after sunset.

## **Place**

- No person shall hunt within 400 metres of any area baited with grain or other food.

## **Retrieval**

- It is permitted to retrieve a dead or injured migratory game bird by the use of a power boat.
- No person shall kill, cripple or wound a migratory game bird without making all reasonable efforts to retrieve it. The retrieved bird shall be killed immediately and included in the hunter's daily bag limit.

## **Possession and transport**

- No person shall possess or transport a migratory game bird unless at least one wing and the plumage thereof remains attached to the bird. Such a wing and plumage may be removed
  - a. when the bird is prepared for immediate cooking, or,
  - b. after the bird is taken to the residence of the owner for preservation.

### Eggs and nests

- No person shall take, injure, or destroy the eggs or nests of migratory birds at any time.

### Uses

- No person shall buy or sell migratory birds.

### Indians and Inuit

- Indians and Inuit may at any time, without a permit, outside any bird sanctuary, take auks, auklets, guillemots, murre, puffins, and scoters and their eggs, for human food or clothing. Birds and eggs so taken shall not be sold.

### Territorial regulations

- Hunters of migratory game birds are advised to check territorial regulations for additional restrictions.

### Open seasons – All dates inclusive

Area	Ducks, geese, rails, coots, and Wilson's Snipe
Throughout the Northwest Territories	Sept 1 to Dec 10

### Bag and possession limits

	<i>Residents</i>			
	Ducks	Geese	Rails and coots	Wilson's Snipe
Daily bag	25	15	25	10
	<i>Non-Residents</i>			
	Ducks	Geese	Rails and coots	Wilson's Snipe
Daily bag	8	5 a.	25	10
Possession	16	10 a.	—	20

- a. Non-residents may not take more than 2 White-fronted Geese daily and may not possess more than 4.



### **Penalty**

Every person who violates any provision of this act or any regulation shall, for each offence, be liable upon summary conviction to a fine of not more than \$300 and not less than \$10, or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months or to both fine and imprisonment.

No person who has been convicted of a hunting offense under this Act or any regulations shall apply for or hold a Canada migratory game bird hunting permit within one year from the date of his conviction.

### **Note**

The above is a summary of the law. For complete information write

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